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Donovan Going To Cuba Today on Prisoner Mission

NEW YORK, Aug. 29 (AP). —

Attorney James B. Donovan, who negotiated the exchange of Russian spy Rudolf Abel for U-2 Plane Pilot Francis Gary Powers, leaves for Havana today to seek the release of 1,113 captives taken in the abortive invasion of Cuba last year.

Mr. Donovan announced at a news conference he will leave at a set time and place, accompanied by two exiled Cuban leaders, Alvaro Sanchez, jr., president of the Cuban Families Committee, and Dr. Ernesto Freyre, secretary of the committee.

Sons of both Mr. Sanchez and Mr. Freyre were captured in the invasion attempt and are now in prison in Havana.

Mr. Donovan said the United States and Cuba granted permission for the mission.

Mr. Donovan indicated he did not know with whom he would deal in Cuba. He said he had no knowledge that he would speak with Premier Fidel Castro.

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